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Applicant : Michael Alan Reeve, et al.
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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office action of May 21, 2003, please consider the following

Remarks and amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 14 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 21 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including the "Sequence Listing" is attached following page 32 of this paper.

Applicants are submitting concurrently herewith a petition to extend the period for response two months from August 21, 2003, up to and including October 21, 2003.

Additionally, Applicants enclose herewith an Information Disclosure Statement with copies of the references cited therein as well as a Submission of Sequence Listing with the required statements, a diskette containing the "Sequence Listing," and a paper copy of the "Sequence Listing."